

House Resolution 1997

By: Representative Ralston of the 7th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Fannin County High School Mock Trial program; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Georgia Mock Trial Competition helps students gain an understanding of
4 the legal system by providing opportunities for school teams to participate in academic
5 competitions where players assume the roles of attorneys and witnesses in a court case, and
6 professional attorneys coach these students in developing skills in questioning, critical
7 thinking, oral advocacy, listening, speaking, reading, and reasoning; and

8 WHEREAS, the Fannin County High School Mock Trial Team has established a tradition
9 of excellence and success by winning the Northwest Georgia Region Championship for three
10 consecutive years; and

11 WHEREAS, the Fannin County High School Mock Trial Team has recently participated in
12 the state-wide competition and made a successful showing; and

13 WHEREAS, the team members have demonstrated a commitment to excellence and high
14 standards and have worked diligently; and

15 WHEREAS, the members of the team are Alexis Cooke, Kassie Washuta, Zoë Wolford,
16 Brian Pope, Erica Weaver, Matt Gaddis, Sara Walton, Krista Curtis, Belle Doss, Matt
17 Ralston, Nathan Sutton, Sara Jordan, Clay Henry, Katie Thompson, John Behrens, Kim
18 Baugh, Drew Dillard, and Bradley Walker; the attorney coaches are Amanda H. Mercier and
19 Lynn Doss; and the outstanding faculty coach is Theresa Dillard; and

20 WHEREAS, Fannin County Mock Trial Team members who received state awards are Matt
21 Ralston, Outstanding Attorney award; Clay Henry, Brian Pope, and Nathan Sutton,
22 Outstanding Witness awards; Zoë Wolford, admitted to Student Bar Association; and Alexis
23 Cooke, admitted to Student Bar Association; and

1 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to recognize with particularity
2 the outstanding accomplishments of this extraordinary program.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
4 the members of this body join together in recognizing and commending the outstanding
5 efforts of the Fannin County High School Mock Trial program.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
7 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Fannin County High
8 School Mock Trial program.